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Thursday, 28 August 2025

Term 3, Week 6

Dates to remember:

Term 3, 2025

Monday 1 September

Wednesday 3 September

Friday 5 September

Monday 8 September

Wednesday 10 September

Friday 12 September

Book Week Parade

Father's Day Stall

Father's Day Breakfast

Science Incursion Stage 3

Science Incursion Stage 2

Jump rope for Heart



Principal's News

2025 Year 6 Canberra and The Snow Camp

Last week, our Year 6 students had the exciting opportunity to attend the annual 5-day Year 6 Canberra and the Snow Camp. This much-anticipated weeklong camp is a highlight of their final year at PPS. The itinerary included visits to Questacon, our National Science Museum, and the Federal Parliament House, as well as a 3-day ski program in Thredbo. The camp is designed to build knowledge, resilience, perseverance, relationships, and physical skills.

Throughout the week, the children demonstrated remarkable resilience and cooperative skills. They embraced the challenges of sharing rooms with 12 students, managing their ski gear, and being punctual for activities. It was heart-warming to see how they supported one another every step of the way.

The ski lessons were a particular highlight, with most students trying skiing for the first time. Despite the challenges, they persevered and truly enjoyed learning this new skill. The excellent weather throughout the week made the experience even more enjoyable. Our students were well-behaved and an absolute pleasure to take on camp.

A heartfelt thank you goes to Mrs Herbert, Miss Johnson, Mr Tilling, Mr Rogan, and Miss Coyle for volunteering their time and care to make this camp possible. Their dedication ensured all students had a safe, memorable, and enriching experience.

COVID-19-smart measures in schools

COVID-smart school settings reflect NSW Health's latest COVID-19 guidelines and the department's management of COVID-19 within educational settings.

COVID-19 is still active in the community. While COVID-19 remains an unpredictable virus, NSW Health advise it will continue to present a health risk to the community.

Schools continue to implement baseline COVID-smart measures to help reduce the risk of transmission for students and staff members. These key COVID-smart measures include:

- **staying home until you are well**
- following NSW Health Advice for people exposed to COVID-19 (<https://www.nsw.gov.au/health/covid-19/testing-managing/people-exposed-to-covid>)
- strongly encouraging staff, students and families stay up to date with vaccinations (including COVID-19 boosters, when eligible)
- practicing good hygiene including regular hand washing
- maintaining natural ventilation
- recommending staff and visitors wear a mask when working with students at greater risk of serious illness should they contract COVID-19, regardless of school type, particularly indoors and when physical distancing is not possible
- assessing risk and applying appropriate safeguards across activities and events.

For further information please view the Advice for Families at:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/schooling/covid-19/advice-for-families.html?deliveryName=DM22323#Term2>

Your support in keeping our students and staff safe is appreciated.

Bruno Diodati
Principal



Deputy Principal's News

Kindergarten Excursion

Last Thursday, our Kindergarten students visited St Ives Wildflower Garden. Despite the wet weather, the students thoroughly enjoyed catching water creatures with dip nets, bush walking and up close encounters with blue tongue lizards and long neck turtles.

The children had a great day out and a wonderful learning experience. Thank you to our Kindergarten Team for coordinating and running this excursion.





SISA K-2

Sports In Schools Australia have returned to Pymble Public School this term to deliver sports lessons to students in K-2. Every Tuesday this term, K-2 students will be participating in gymnastics lessons along with soccer skill activities.



Debating News

After the fantastic achievement of winning 4 out of 4 debates in the Northern Sydney Zone the Pymble Public Wombats visited Killara Public School for the first round of the knock-out finals.

As the negative team the PPS Wombats had to argue why it was a bad idea for all primary school homework to be completed as groupwork. The debate took place in front of three Stage 3 classes from Killara, the first time they had debated in front of a live audience. They showed no signs of nerves and came away victorious!

They were praised by the adjudicator for the quality of their rebuttals and told Mr Tilling that they are a "terrific debating team". The PPS Wombats (Crystal W, Amelie V-H, Hannah B, Austin H and Seth D) can look forward to the next round of finals, which should take place in the next couple of weeks.



Jennifer Graham
Deputy Principal



Absences from School (whole day or part day) – SMS's

As part of the school's attendance procedures, parents will now receive an **SMS** if their child is absent from school for the whole or part of the day, and no previous explanation has been provided. Every effort will be made to send SMS's as early as possible each day, once class rolls have been marked and all attendance emails for the day have been addressed.

If you receive an absence SMS for your child, please log in to your [School Bytes Parent Portal](#) and provide an explanation as soon as possible. *Please note that any whole or part day absence that remains unexplained after 7 days, will automatically be recorded as unjustified.*

If you are emailing the school office for any reason about your child, please remember to include your **child's full name and class**. Your support with this simple request is greatly appreciated.

Working With Children Check – Digital Declarations

The Department of Education has recently introduced improvements to the process of screening volunteers and contractors in schools. These improvements include applicants completing a Digital Declaration online rather than the old paper form. Although not yet mandatory, the online declaration is the Department's preferred screening method, and one that PPS will be adopting.

If you volunteer at the school for: excursions, reading groups, band, P&C events etc you will need to complete the Digital Declaration. This process is not onerous and can be completed within a few minutes, in person, at the front office. The declaration will be sent to your nominated email address and requires you to complete a short online form. Once completed, you then need to produce one form of Government issued ID to be sighted by the Office staff.

The process of rolling out Digital Declarations to contractors, community users and other child related workers is well underway, and a small group of parent volunteers have also recently completed their declarations. As more activities and events are held at the school, requiring parent volunteers, we will require those involved to complete their Digital Declarations as well. Your support and understanding of this new child protection policy would be appreciated and if you have any questions or concerns about this new procedure, please contact the school office on 9144 4136 or via email: pymble-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au.

Mrs Frankish, Mrs Weir, Mrs McCulloch, Mrs Cooper & Mrs O'Donohue



Berry Street Educational Model

POSITIVE EMOTIONS

The Berry St Education Model states that ;

'Positive emotions are transformational. The result of positive emotions is a physical opening up of the body, an internal change in your heart rhythm and an expansion in your psychological condition. Positive emotions are a core component for the retention of learning'.

For this reason we are focusing on helping students to not only identify positive emotions but to be able to foster their development.

You might like to talk to your child about what they see as positive emotions and to work through some of the activities they may have done at school. Two such activities are included below.

Activity 1

This week your challenge is to find out what 5 people in your life do to experience more positive emotions.

Activity 2

Help 2 people experience a positive emotion this week. Plan what you are going to do or say for each person.



Premier's Spelling Bee

A huge congratulations to our two PPS representatives who attended the Stage 2 and Stage 3 regional Premier's Spelling Bee finals on Friday 15 August via Zoom. Ellie W (4H) and Melody L (5/6R) each competed against 29 other students from around NSW and spelt many challenging words with ease.

Both Ellie and Melody should be congratulated on making it to round 5 of their competitions. Thank you to Natalie L (4H), Chloe L (5/6B) and Grace H (5/6T) for being there to support their friends and cheer them on.

Both students are to be commended for their hard work, sportsmanship and for representing PPS so well.

Well done!



Lucinda Holbrook

Assistant Principal



Zone Athletics News

Yesterday, the Kuringgai Zone Athletics Track and Field Carnival was held at Olympic Park. [Congratulations](#) to all PPS students who competed in various events throughout the day. Thank you to Mr Tilling and Mr Rogan who also assisted and supervised events as well as Mrs Emma McCulloch who volunteered her time to be the PPS parent representative. We appreciate all your support. Our student representatives achieved outstanding results and should be incredibly proud of their sportsmanship and accomplishments. Along with many impressive results, Marlow G achieved a new Zone record on the day in the 11yrs girls 1500m, [congratulations](#)!!! Kenneth H, Jacob S, Michael O, and James M placed 2nd in the Junior Boys relay.

The following students have qualified to represent Kuringgai at the Area Carnival:

Marlow G - 11yrs girls 1500m, 11yrs girls 800m

Chloe M - 12yrs girls 1500m, 12yrs girls 800m

Kenneth H - Jnr boys 800m, 9yrs boys 100m

Liam G - 8yrs boys 100m

Emmy L - 9 yrs girls 100m

We wish these students all the best for the Area Carnival.

Lucinda Holbrook

Assistant Principal



BOOK AN ADVENTURE

BOOK WEEK 2025

Pymble Public School is excited to celebrate CBCA Book Week in Week 7. On Monday, 1 September, students are invited to come dressed as their favourite book character (and may like to bring the matching book) to join in the excitement. Our celebrations will begin with a Book Week Parade at 9:05 am in the K-2 playground.

We warmly welcome all parents and carers to attend and share in the adventure!



Heart Foundation

Jump Rope for Heart



Jump Rope for Heart Fundraiser

Friday 12 September, Week 8, 12-1pm

It's that time of year again for our annual Jump Rope for Heart Fundraiser. Each year, the Heart Foundation Jump Rope program attracts over 300,000 school students, in over 1,500 schools around the country - and this term, Pymble Public School will be doing their part in the fight against heart disease and stroke. This is our larger fundraising year at PPS, to help raise vital funds for this important organisation. We launched our fundraising campaign on the first day of term with a visit from the Heart Foundation. Information on how to fundraise was also sent home that week.

Students can register via this link - www.jumprope.org.au/parents

On Friday 12 September, all children K-6 will enjoy skipping for close to 45 minutes. They are asked to wear mufti clothes, in the theme of red and hearts, ensuring they have enclosed sports shoes, suitable for skipping, (no singlets or midriff tops please).

The Pymble Power Pumpers (the PPS skipping demonstration team) will perform for all students K-6 before the whole school "Jump Off" begins. Parents are welcome to watch our Pymble Power Pumpers perform at 12 noon on the netball court. We will finish the event with each student cooling down with a refreshing ice-block.

Below is a link that demonstrates many skipping skills and tricks that you can learn prior to our "Jump Off" day.

BEGINNER <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLh8a3lIPdCciUT8KlxS22W03oZrKtwZ5q>

INTERMEDIATE <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLh8a3lIPdCcheT4w3O-WLN-QI7855qbD>

ADVANCED https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLh8a3lIPdCchqe1dLxqNlzpuG87_p6c7

So far, already 55 students have registered online raising an impressive \$3837.

Thank you for your support. We look forward to a fun day learning new skills and tricks.

Lucinda Holbrook
Assistant Principal



In-Store Payment Options

Dear Families,

Due to a shift in how shoppers spend and the way banks are transacting, Alinta has made the decision to become a cashless company.

This decision has come due to a number of factors:

- Consumers no longer carrying cash
- Local branches are closing
- Local branches are becoming cashless and making depositing cash difficult

Cash will no longer be accepted in store as of 1 June 2025.

We apologise for any inconvenience this causes.

Thank you,

Alinta Management.

PAYMENT METHODS



EFTPOS (EFTPOS cards, Mastercard or Visa using card, smartphone or smartwatch)



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CHESS!!

Learn to be a chess champion! Coaching for students at Pymble Public School is held on
Wednesdays from 1:00pm to 1:45pm, starting on 23 July 2025.

Learning and playing chess helps children develop their logical thinking and problem solving
skills, improves their concentration and focus, while also being a great source of enjoyment.
Activities include group lessons on a demonstration chess board or interactive whiteboard,
puzzle solving and fun practice games.

Students earn merit awards by making checkmates, or by displaying skills and positive
qualities, which all good chess players strive to develop.

Each student in the Chess program will also receive access to Chess Squad
<https://www.chesssquad.com/> which is an online teaching/playing platform.

If your child is interested in taking part in the class, please email
office.sydneyacademy@gmail.com for an enrolment form. For all enquiries, please contact
Sydney Academy of Chess on (02) 9745 1170.



P&C News

Important Dates for your calendar:

- **Sun Aug 31** - Pymble Fun Run Early Bird special ends
- **Wed Sep 03** – Father's Day Stall/market
- **Fri Sep 05** - Father's Day Breakfast
- **Sun Sep 21** - Pymble Fun Run

Connect with the P&C



Upcoming P&C Meetings

The next P&C meeting and AGM is on **Wednesday, 5 November 2025** (Term 4, Week 4) at **7:30pm**. You don't need to be a P&C member to attend. You may attend in-person or via Zoom.

Please contact secretary.ppspc@gmail.com to register your interest. Zoom details and a copy of the meeting agenda will be sent out via email closer to the date.

Important Announcement

Seeking a new Grounds Committee Lead

With Fash stepping down, we're now recruiting a new Grounds Committee Lead to join the P&C. This is a great role for someone who enjoys being hands-on and helping care for our school environment. Responsibilities include coordinating working bees and liaising with the school on grounds improvement projects. If you're interested or would like to know more, please get in touch — we'd love to hear from you!



Seeking Grounds Committee Lead

The Grounds Committee Lead is a valued role within the P&C, responsible for helping maintain and improve the school's outdoor spaces and facilities. Key responsibilities include:

- Overseeing the use of school buildings, grounds and facilities by the wider community, supporting both engagement and income generation for the school
- Identifying and applying for relevant grants to improve school grounds and infrastructure
- Coordinating working bees and organising selected planting projects in line with approved P&C initiatives

This role is perfect for someone who enjoys being hands-on, working with others, and making a visible difference to the school environment.

Please email president.ppspc@gmail.com if you're interested



Band Program

🎷 What a Month of Music! 🎷

What an incredible few weeks it's been for our PPS Bands! From buzzing fetes to world-class stages, our young musicians have truly shone.

💖 A Huge Thank You Again

Parents and carers, we so appreciate those early morning drop-offs, instrument transport and car journeys to get our students to their events. Your support is the backbone of our program. And to our band students, your hard work in rehearsals and at home is paying off in spades. You're sounding better and better every week, and we're so proud.

🎵 Recent Highlights

🎵 **Handley Fete** – Our Jazz Band lit up the Pymble Turramurra Pre-School Fete on August 17th with two sizzling sets last weekend. Future PPS students (and their parents!) were dancing along – what an amazing showcase of our program.



🎻 **Strings at the Opera House** – A truly wonderful experience for our Strings Ensemble performing in the iconic Sydney Opera House as part of the Festival of Instrumental Music on Monday 25th August. They joined hundreds of students from across NSW and did PPS proud.



🎺 **ASBOF Ahead! – Sunday 31st August**

Our Junior Band, Concert Band, Performance Ensemble and Jazz Band are heading to UNSW's Clancy Auditorium this Sunday for the Australian School Band & Orchestra Festival. The students have been putting in extra focus with rehearsals and practice, and we can't wait to hear them shine under the tougher adjudication this year.

🎵 **Warringah Mall Performance – Thursday 19th September**

Looking further ahead, our Performance Ensemble, Jazz Band and School Vocal Ensemble will be performing a lively lunchtime concert at 1:00 PM. A wonderful chance to bring music to the community – mark your calendars!

💧 **Urgent – Band Fundraiser BBQ at the Pymble Fun Run!**

On Sunday 21st September, we will be running the BBQ at the Pymble Fun Run – and we need volunteers to help make it a success. This is one of our biggest fundraising opportunities of the year, with every dollar raised going directly back into our band program.

👉 We urgently need parents and carers to sign up for a shift. Please jump onto the link today:
pymblefunrun.com.au/volunteer

Let's fire up the BBQ and show the community the amazing spirit of our PPS Bands!

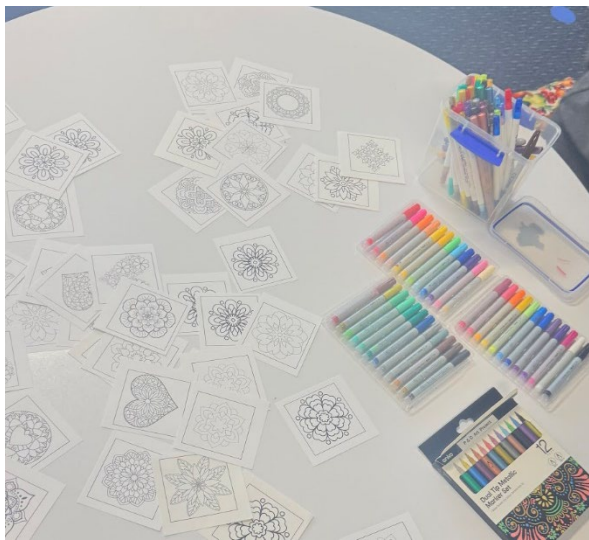
🔔 **A Reminder for Band Parents/Carers**

Please keep an eye on your emails and Band WhatsApp chats for all event details, meeting times, and important reminders. And don't forget, if your child can't make a rehearsal, email us directly at PymbleBand@gmail.com.

Here's to more music, more joy, and more proud PPS moments ahead! 💖 🎵

P&C Fundraising Art Project

Neda Zand, Fundraising and Event



In Week 5, Kindy, Year 3, and Year 4 students have completed creating their masterpieces. Year 5 and Year 6 students are busy completing their artistic photography projects.

A project of this scale would not be possible without the school leadership's incredible support. A huge thank you goes to our **wonderful teachers, who have so warmly welcomed this initiative into their classrooms.** And thank you to our kind and patient office staff for their support in coordinating volunteers and logistics.

I also want to express a special thank you to the **incredible support of our amazing parent volunteers,** who have generously given their time and energy to help guide the students and bring this vision to life. We were all overjoyed by the enthusiasm and creativity pouring from our students.

The momentum is building, and we are already planning for our entire school art show, where we will exhibit all of these incredible artworks.

P&C Events

Parents Trivia Night

A huge thank you to all the parents who joined us for Trivia Night. It was a truly enjoyable and memorable evening! We are especially grateful to our generous sponsor, who not only provided prizes for the winning trivia tables but also made our raffle possible.

Thanks to their support, the night raised a fantastic contribution of \$2,500 toward our P&C projects.

We look forward to welcoming everyone again at future events and making them even more enjoyable!



Grace's Bakehouse







Upcoming P&C Events

Exciting News – Father's Day Market Coming to Our School!

We're excited to announce that P&C is bringing a special Father's Day Market to our school! This wonderful event will offer a fantastic shopping experience for children to buy gifts for Dad, grandfathers and father figures. Children can enjoy the traditional cash purchases on the day or take advantage of our convenient online pre-purchase option.

Prepurchase option is available until

<https://events.humanitix.com/father-s-day-gift-market>



Celebrate Father's Day with P&C Hosting Breakfast.

Join us for a warm and joyful **Father's Day Breakfast** on **Friday, 5 September 2025**, from **7:15 to 8:30 am**. It's a special morning for children and their fathers, grandfathers, uncles, and father figures to enjoy some fun moments with their classmates and make memories together.

We will be serving egg & bacon rolls, sausage sandwiches, and providing a coffee & tea station with hot chocolate and juice for children. There'll be **fun games to play** for all ages.

PYMBLE FUN RUN SHIRTS - To celebrate the first-ever Pymble Fun Run, wear your race shirt! We'd love to see as many dads as possible proudly showing theirs off. Don't worry if you don't have one yet – shirts will be available to purchase in the morning so you can get kitted out.

Purchase your breakfast:

<https://events.humanitix.com/father-s-day-breakfast-2025-l5slyjke>

If you have an hour before school to help with the breakfast event, we would love some volunteers. Please follow this link to help!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094CAFAF2AABFCC70-58152605-fathers>



[Pymble Fun Run.](#)

What You Can Do:

1. [Register your family](#) to run or walk in the **2km** or **5km** event
2. [Sign up to volunteer!](#) We need plenty of helping hands to make the day a success
3. **Spread the word!** This is a true *community* event — we want everyone to be part of it!

What's Included with Your Race Entry:

- **Professional timing** with a race bib and instant online results showing your walk/run time
- **Finisher medals** for all participants
- **Prizes & awards!**
 - Cash prizes for 1st, 2nd & 3rd place (male & female)
 - A special award for the **fastest PPS parent/carer**
 - Fun prizes for the **best dressed** in the 2km event
 - Trophies for the kids - with 20 age group categories to add some friendly competition
- **Access to our full PFR Prep Program**, including:
 - 7-week Sunday morning Fun Club
 - Custom training plans (walkers & runners)
 - Two special Pilates classes
 - Online pilates strength workout
 - Physio-designed injury prevention mobility program

Let's make this an unforgettable day for our school and community — get involved, get training, and get excited! ❤️ ❤️
Follow us on social media for the latest updates:

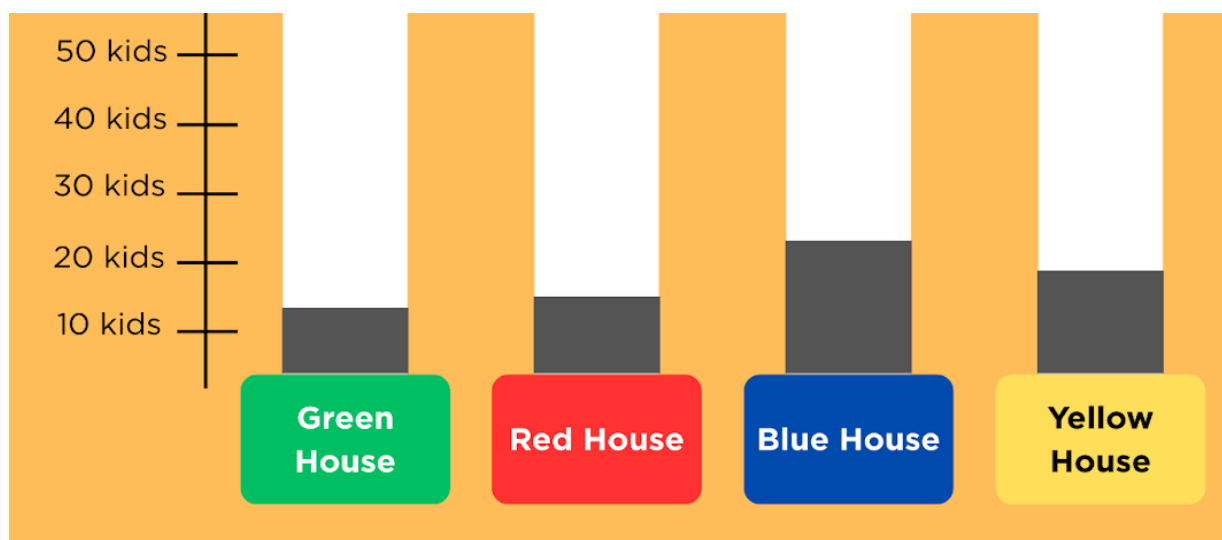


Congratulations to Class KG!

KG had the highest number of students entered in the Pymble Fun Run and are the proud winners of looking after our much-loved bear, Pymbie, for the week. 🐻 ✨

And Congratulations Wentworth!

Every student entry earns valuable house points, and at the moment Flinders is in the lead! The tally is updated at each assembly, so keep those entries coming to support your house.



Buy a Pymble Fun Run shirt!

Look the part! You can buy your shirt:

- during checkout when you **register** to run or walk in the event,
- You can grab a shirt at the **Second Hand Uniform shop**. Stop by any Thursday from 8:30am to 9:00am until event day or
- On raceday (stock permitting)

They're selling fast so get in early to ensure your size is available.

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COME RUN WITH US

REGISTER NOW

[Second Hand Uniform Shop](#)

We need your uniforms! Term 3 Clothing Drive COMING SOON!

The 2nd-hand uniform shop will be running a clothing drive on **Thursday 25th September** at lunchtime to rebuild our stock. Please consider donating your uniforms that are too small or that you no longer need! As with previous years, we will be giving children an ice block in exchange for uniforms donated. More details to follow.

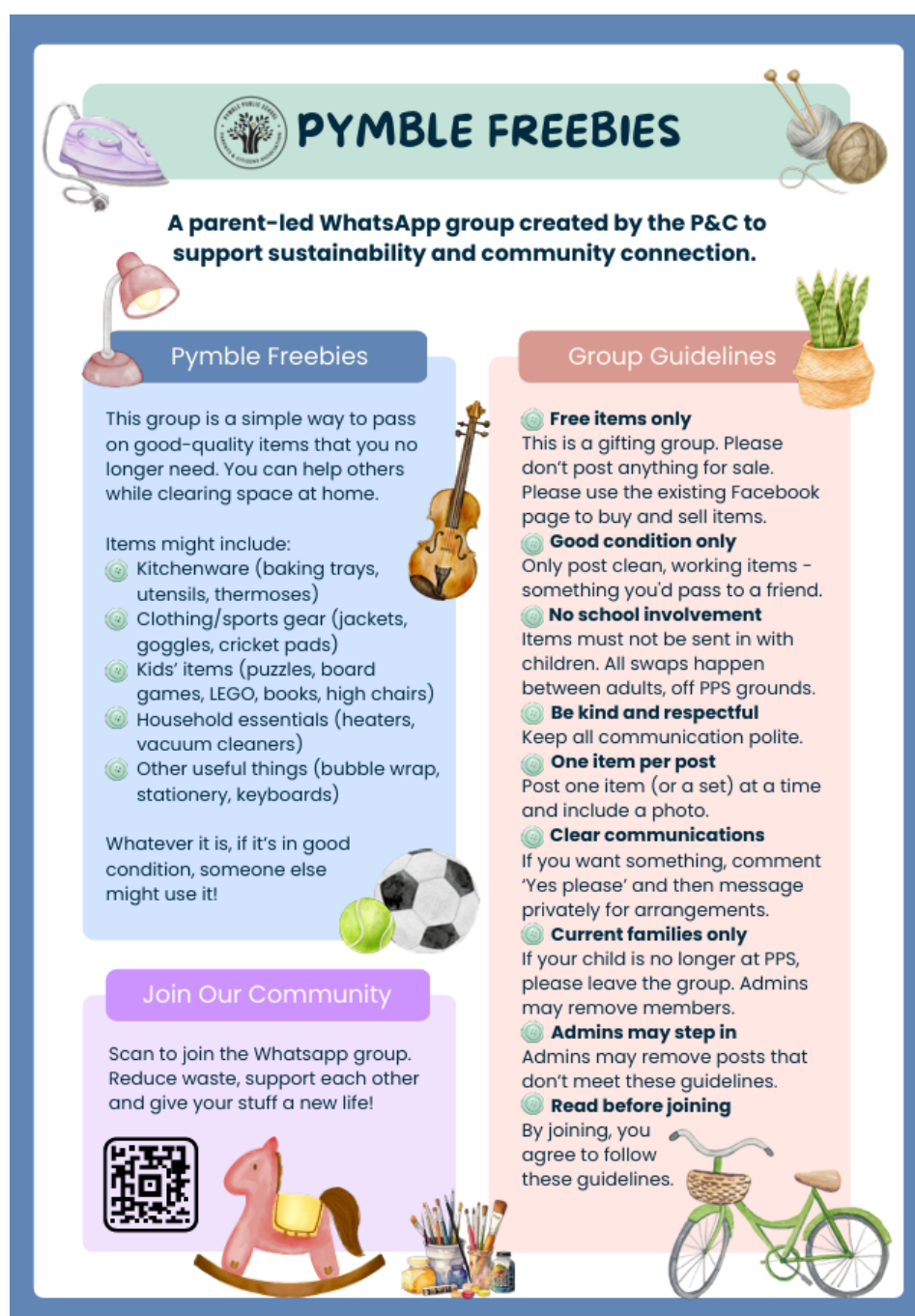
Weekly Opening Hours

The 2nd-hand uniform shop remains open for sales **every Thursday from 8:30am to 9:00am** during the **school term**.

[Pymble Freebies](#)

We're excited to announce **Pymble Freebies**, a WhatsApp group created by the P&C to support sustainability and community connection.

Click here to join - <https://chat.whatsapp.com/CbbqYkeO2FEHWDfYtct2NL>



The poster is titled 'PYMBLE FREEBIES' in large, bold, dark blue letters. Above the title is a small circular logo with a tree and the text 'Pymble Public School'. To the left of the title is an illustration of a purple iron, and to the right is an illustration of a ball of yarn with knitting needles. Below the title, the text reads: 'A parent-led WhatsApp group created by the P&C to support sustainability and community connection.' The poster is divided into two main sections: 'Pymble Freebies' on the left and 'Group Guidelines' on the right. The 'Pymble Freebies' section has a blue background and includes a list of items that might be included: Kitchenware (baking trays, utensils, thermoses), Clothing/sports gear (jackets, goggles, cricket pads), Kids' items (puzzles, board games, LEGO, books, high chairs), Household essentials (heaters, vacuum cleaners), and Other useful things (bubble wrap, stationery, keyboards). It also states: 'Whatever it is, if it's in good condition, someone else might use it!'. The 'Group Guidelines' section has a pink background and lists eight guidelines: Free items only, Good condition only, No school involvement, Be kind and respectful, One item per post, Clear communications, Current families only, and Admins may step in. It also includes a guideline to 'Read before joining'. At the bottom left, there is a QR code and a pink rocking horse. At the bottom right, there is a green bicycle. The poster is decorated with various illustrations including a violin, a soccer ball, a potted plant, and a paint palette.

PYMBLE FREEBIES

A parent-led WhatsApp group created by the P&C to support sustainability and community connection.

Pymble Freebies

This group is a simple way to pass on good-quality items that you no longer need. You can help others while clearing space at home.

Items might include:

- 🍷 Kitchenware (baking trays, utensils, thermoses)
- 🍷 Clothing/sports gear (jackets, goggles, cricket pads)
- 🍷 Kids' items (puzzles, board games, LEGO, books, high chairs)
- 🍷 Household essentials (heaters, vacuum cleaners)
- 🍷 Other useful things (bubble wrap, stationery, keyboards)

Whatever it is, if it's in good condition, someone else might use it!

Join Our Community

Scan to join the Whatsapp group. Reduce waste, support each other and give your stuff a new life!

Group Guidelines

- 🍷 **Free items only**
This is a gifting group. Please don't post anything for sale. Please use the existing Facebook page to buy and sell items.
- 🍷 **Good condition only**
Only post clean, working items – something you'd pass to a friend.
- 🍷 **No school involvement**
Items must not be sent in with children. All swaps happen between adults, off PPS grounds.
- 🍷 **Be kind and respectful**
Keep all communication polite.
- 🍷 **One item per post**
Post one item (or a set) at a time and include a photo.
- 🍷 **Clear communications**
If you want something, comment 'Yes please' and then message privately for arrangements.
- 🍷 **Current families only**
If your child is no longer at PPS, please leave the group. Admins may remove members.
- 🍷 **Admins may step in**
Admins may remove posts that don't meet these guidelines.
- 🍷 **Read before joining**
By joining, you agree to follow these guidelines.



HOW TO REGISTER

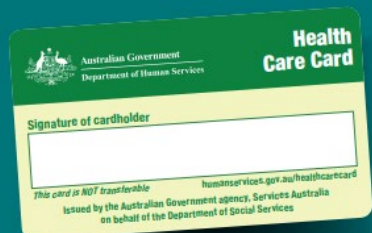


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- 1 Download the Flexischools app and select "Register".
- 2 Type in your email and submit to create an account.
- 3 Go to your inbox and click the link to verify your email (remember to check your junk).
- 4 Follow the registration process, creating a password and adding your personal details.
- 5 Add your student under "Profile" and start ordering online!



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Do you have a health care card? You could be eligible for Saver Plus.

For every dollar you save, you'll get a dollar from ANZ to spend on educational costs, up to \$500.

To join, you need to meet all of these requirements:

- ✓ Be 18 years or older
- ✓ Have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card
- ✓ Have a child in school, starting school next year, or be studying yourself
- ✓ Get a regular income (can be you or your partner)
- ✓ Agree to join in free online financial education workshops



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Get up to \$500 for education costs

Achieve a savings goal for 10 months, and **ANZ will match it up to \$500.**

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Saver Plus was developed by ANZ and the Brotherhood of St Laurence and is delivered in partnership with The Smith Family and Berry Street. It is funded by ANZ and Department of Social Services.

NEW BUS TIMETABLE FROM 21 JULY 2025



School Travel Advice

For trip planning visit www.transportnsw.info or call 131 500.

For current school and route services visit www.cdcbus.com.au

Conditions of Carriage: Students must have a valid Opal card and must tap on and off every trip. Further details about the SSTS are available at: www.transportnsw.info

Key: (L) Bus turns left; (R) Bus turns right

PYMBLE PS

Bell Times

Effective 21/07/2025

Morning: 08:55

Afternoon: 14:55

MORNING BUSES

Route	Time	Bus Route
579	08:01	FROM PYMBLE STATION via 579 route. Drop on Bannockburn Rd (08:07)
8066	08:12	FROM TURRAMURRA HS via Maxwell (R) Koombalah (R) Kissing Point (R) The Comenarra, Doncaster (L) Yarrara (R) Ward (08:27) (L) Livingstone (L) Everton (R) Avon (R) Arilla (L) Allawah (R) Linden (R) Beechworth (R) Highway (L) Bannockburn (R) Rushall (L) Crown to school (08:46)

AFTERNOON BUSES

Route	Time	Bus Route
9039	15:05	TO PYMBLE STATION AND WEST PYMBLE via Crown Rd, (R) Reservoir Rd, (L) Bannockburn Rd, (L) Bannockburn Rd, (R) Selwyn St, (L) Bobbin Head Rd (South Turramurra student transfer to 9015 at Sacred Heart School (15:10), (L) Pacific Hwy, (Pymble Station 15:12), (R) Livingstone Ave, (R) Everton St, (R) Avon Rd, (R) Arilla Rd, (L) Allawah Rd, (R) Linden Ave, (R) Beechworth Rd, (R) Pacific Hwy, (L) Grandview St, (Pymble Station 15:25), Grandview St, (R) Station St, (L) Pacific Hwy, (L) St Johns Ave, Gordon Interchange (15:34) then transfer to route 560
9015	15:10	TO SOUTH TURRAMURRA from Sacred Heart School via Crown, Reservoir (L) Bannockburn (R) Selwyn (L) Bobbin Head (R) Highway (L) Kissing Point (L) The Comenarra (L) Ravenhill, Carina (L) Mimosa, Waratah (L) Boronia (L) Kissing Point (R) Canoon to Barwon
560	15:36	FROM GORDON STATION via St Johns (R) Pacific Hwy (L) Ryde (R) Yanko (L) Kooloona (L) Yanko (L) Congham (R) Wallalong (R) Yanko (L) Yarrara (R) Ward (L) Livingstone (R) Cultowa

School Student Travel



School student travel information for parents and students

School Travel Passes

Students who require a School Opal card or travel pass but have not yet applied need to [apply](#) or [update](#) their details as soon as possible.

In the Opal network, students should travel with a Child/Youth Opal card until they receive their valid School Opal card. If outside Greater Sydney, parents should contact their [local bus operator](#) to discuss their travel needs.

Students living in rural and regional areas will receive their travel pass from their nominated transport operator. It may be issued via their school or be sent directly to them at home. **Note:** some rural and regional operators do not issue travel passes. Students/parents should confirm with their nominated operator if they do not receive a pass.

Terms of Use

Students using School Opal cards must tap on and tap off in line with the [Opal terms of use](#) .

This includes travel within the approved times between 6.30am and 7.00pm from Monday to Friday on school days only. Students must use their Child/Youth Opal card for any travel outside these times.

All students are required to comply with the [Student code of conduct](#). The code of conduct aims to ensure the safety and well-being of school children and other passengers. It is important that parents ensure their child is aware of this, as failure to comply with the code of conduct can result in a suspension from travel.

Mail sent from the Stakeholder Liaison Team, Customers Systems and Operations.



Further information can be found at transportnsw.info/school-students

Enquiries can be submitted at transportnsw.info/passes-concessions-feedback

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School Crossing Supervisor



About you:

Help protect our vibrant school communities.



Be a road safety hero for school kids, caregivers, school staff and local motorists.



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Casual

Ku-ring-gai Local Government Area – 101399

In this role, you'll:

Work shifts that fall between 8:00am - 9:30am and 2:30pm – 4:00pm, Monday to Friday during school terms with a minimum of one hour shift as required.

Salary:

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Apply today

Applications close 11:59pm on Wednesday 10th September 2025.

Visit jobs.transport.nsw.gov.au and search for **Reference Number: 101399** or search 'School Crossing Supervisors' for a full list of vacancies or scan the QR code to apply.

For further information, contact Amy Davies

E: amy.davies@transport.nsw.gov.au

P: 0403 655 109





PPS Christian Prayer Group

Throughout the year, the PPS Christian Prayer Group meet to pray for the PPS community. The group meet on the first Friday of each month at 9am at PPS at the shelter area on the top playground. If you would like to join us, please contact Briony Jones (brionyjones_1@hotmail.com)



Lost Property

The Lost Property box is located in the room under the Hall, near the Band Room. With the easing of COVID-19 restrictions, parents are able to once again check the Lost Property box for their child's missing items. To minimise items going missing, please ensure your child's belongings are clearly labelled. Items with NO NAME will be sent to the 2nd Hand Uniform shop and proceeds from these sales will be used to fund school improvements.



Uniform Shop

With the easing of COVID-19 restrictions, the Uniform Shop is pleased to be able to welcome parents and carers back into the store during their normal opening hours: Tuesday 1.30pm – 4pm and Thursday 8.15am – 10.30am.

The Uniform shop is also still offering contact free ordering:

- (1) Online ordering – www.alintaapparel.com.au
- (2) Store phone order – 0413 087 395
- (3) Contact Alinta Call Centre – 4321 0433



2nd Hand Uniform Shop

The 2nd Hand Uniform shop is a P&C initiative run by volunteers and we offer a walk-in service to purchase donated 2nd hand uniforms. The shop is open for sales every Thursday **from 8:30am to 9:00am during the school term.**

Our stock is dependent on donations, so if you have uniforms, you no longer need, please consider donating them by placing them in the white uniform recycling bin located outside the school office. We only accept PPS branded uniforms and for hygiene reasons we can't accept socks or tights. Please make sure all donations are in usable condition and washed before they are donated.

Please support this great initiative at our school and save tones of school uniforms from ending up in landfill.

If you have any questions, you can reach out to us at 2ndhand.ppspc@gmail.com



Student News

Congratulations Jordan

Jordan took 1st place in the Grom's Skateboard Competition at the 2025 Julo'z Classic, held on Saturday at Narara Skatepark on the Central Coast. The Julo'z Classic is an annual community event that celebrates the life and legacy of local skater Julian Poulton, featuring a mix of art, music and skateboarding. Jordan secured 2nd place in the 2024 competition and returned this year determined to win landing big ollies down stair sets, long grinds on large ledges and technical flip tricks.





Community News

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